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of Plants with Modified Polyunsaturated Fatty Acids

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## **Preliminary Amendment**

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Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-referenced application as requested herein. In the event that extensions of time beyond those petitioned for herewith are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned. Applicant does not believe any additional fees are due in conjunction with this filing. However, if any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 are required in the present application, including any fees for extensions of time, authorization to charge such fees is given in the accompanying transmittal letter.